systems and integrated voice and data communication and similar matters is available; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to use indigenous technology in the rupees 200 crores airport modernisation programme of the National Airports Authority?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE AND THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI MOTI LAL VORA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Completion of Howrah-Amta/Champadanga Project

269. SHRI NEPALDEV BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) by when the Howrah-Amta/Champadanga project is likely to be completed; and

(b) the allocation made for this project for the year 1988-89, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Its completion will depend on availability of resources in the coming years.

(b) It has been possible to make only a token allotment of Rs. 1000/- for this project during 1988-89 due to constraint of resources.

Amount for maintenance of National Highways

270. SHRI NEPALDEV BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount allocated for construction and maintenance of National Highways during the last three years; year-wise and State-wise; and

(b) the amount earmarked for the year 1988-89; State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) A statement showing allocations to States/Union Territories is attached. (*See* Appendix CXLV, Annexure No. 10).

(b) The State-wise allocation of funds for 1988-89 has not yet been finalised.

Serving of Vegetarian Meal on Tuesdays by I.A.

271. SHRI K. MOHANAN:
SHRI NIRMAL CHATTERJEE:
SHRI SUKOMAL SEN:
DR. R. K. PODDAR:
SHRI MOSTAFA BIN QUASEM:
SHRI NEPALDEV BHATTACHARJEE:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that w.e.f. 2nd June, 1987 only vegetarian lunch/dinner is being served on Tuesdays in Indian Airlines planes; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE AND THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI MOTI LAL VORA): (a) and (b) There was a sudden spurt in demand for vegetarian meals on Tuesday. Despite constant monitoring and regular adjustments in ratios of vegetarian and non-vegetarian meals, passenger complaints persisted. Indian Airlines, keeping in view the passenger satisfaction, decided to introduce on Tuesdays with effect from 2-6-87, only vegetarian meals (lunch/dinner) on its flights. However, breakfasts and snacks are served both in vegetarian and non-vegetarian style. Serving of vegetarian lunch/dinner on Tuesdays has been well accepted by the passengers.